SANTA MARIA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Monday, September 13, 2021
6:00 PM

MINUTES

Notice is hereby given that a scheduled Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Santa Maria Independent School District will be held on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 6:00 PM. This meeting will be held at the Santa Maria Independent School District Board Room, 11119 Military Road, Santa Maria, TX 78592.

The Santa Maria Independent School District offers reasonable accommodations for persons accessing its school facilities, as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you require special accommodations, please contact Amanda Leal, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, at (956) 565-6308 for assistance.

CALL TO ORDER

President Adolfo Hinojosa called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT
Adolfo Hinojosa, President
Casey Espinoza, Secretary
Miguel Zavala, Member
Consuelo De La Rosa, Member

Absent:
Oralia Ortiz, Vice-President
Marco Aleman, Member
Rambaldo Rivera, Member

Present from the District
Mr. Martin Cuellar, Superintendent
Mr. Rene Salinas, District Student Services Coordinator
Mr. Edward Gonzalez, Business Manager
Mrs. Amanda Leal, Secretary to Superintendent
Ms. Alma Bernal, District Receptionist.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

It is the policy of Santa Maria ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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OPEN FORUM

At regular meeting the Board shall allot no more than 30 minutes to hear persons who desire to make comments to the Board. However, no one presentation shall exceed three minutes. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. The topics for discussion are limited to the topics listed on the posted agenda. Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. The presiding officer or designed shall determine whether a person addressing the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively through resolution channels established by policy.

It was indicated to the Board President that no one signed up for public comment.

ACTION AGENDA

1. **Construction**

1) Construction Updates for the following:

a. Athletic Facility

b. Discussion, presentation and possible action regarding Amendment #1 to Hellas' contract for additional sports lighting at the field events area outside of stadium

c. Presentation of Layouts of High School Classrooms by the Warren Group

Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Casey Espinoza. Motion passed unanimously @6:20 pm.

2) Discussion and possible action of reimbursement to Brighton Group for the public advertisement of RFQ Construction Manager at Risk with the Valley Morning Start for the total of $1,371.40

Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Miguel Zavala. Motion passed unanimously @6:41 pm.

3) Discussion and possible action to approve CMAR Contract AIA Agreement for construction services for additional classrooms at the high school with D Wilson Construction

Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Casey Espinoza. Motion passed unanimously @6:41pm.

4) Discussion, consideration and possible action for approval of pay application #2 to Hellas Construction, LLC for Santa Maria ISD Athletic Facility for the total of $506,160.20

Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Casey Espinoza. Motion passed unanimously @6:42pm.

5) Discussion, consideration and possible action for approval of pay application #3 to Hellas Construction, LLC for Santa Maria ISD Athletic Facility for the total of $251,105.89

Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Casey Espinoza. Motion passed unanimously @6:43pm.

6) Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding approval of payment for Invoice #3 to Brighton

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Group for 2021 Santa Maria Bond Program Project Management Services for the total of $22,500.00 Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Miguel Zavala. Motion passed unanimously @6:43pm.

2. **Curriculum & Instruction**

1) Discussion and possible action on the Teacher Incentive Allotment application approved by the Texas Education Agency on Thursday, August 5, 2021

Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Consuelo De La Rosa. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously @ 6:57pm.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Casey Espinoza. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously @ 7:00pm.

1) **Finance**

a. Approval of Check Payments since last report unaudited for August 2021

b . Approval of the Tax Collection Report for August 1 to August 31, 2021

c. Approval of Monthly Investment Report for the period of June & July 2021

d. Approval of Revenue and Expenditure Report unaudited ending August 2021

e. Budget Amendment for August 2021

2) **Curriculum & Instruction**

1) Discussion and possible action to approve the revised Instructional Calendar for 2021-2022 school year

3) **Minutes**

a. Approval of the Minutes for Regular Board Meeting for August 9, 2021
b. Approval of the Minutes for Public Hearing Meeting for August 30, 2021
c. Approval of the minutes for Special Board Meeting for August 30, 2021

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Casey Espinoza. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously @ 7:00pm.

Discussion under the authority of Section 551, Texas Government Code: If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board should determine that a closed session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this Notice, then such closed session as authorized by Section 551.001 et. seq. of the Texas Government Code (the Open Government Act) will be held by the Board after the commencement in open session of the meeting covered by this Notice. Such closed session may concern any or all of the subjects and be conducted for any and all purposes permitted by Section 551.071 through and including Section 551.084 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to, private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.

1. A. Section 551.071—Consultation with Attorney on Any Permitted Subject Including, But Not Limited
    1) Discussion with School Attorney on Item(s) Exempted under Attorney-Client Privilege
2. B. Section 551.072—Deliberation Regarding Real Property
3. C. Section 551.073—Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift
4. D. Section 551.074—Personnel Matters, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code and Attorney consultation pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code
    1) Resignations, retirements, terminations, proposed terminations, appointments, evaluations, reassignments, duties and discipline of Professional, Paraprofessional and Non-Contract Employees; Teacher Substitutes and Substitutes for Maintenance, Transportation, and Cafeteria Department
    2) Discuss all items as appropriate on Superintendent's personnel recommendations
5. E. Section 551.076 – Deliberations on Security Devices or Security Audits
6. F. Section 551.082—School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matters or Complaint
7. G. Section 551.0821—Personally Identifiable Information about Public School Student

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Motion was made by Casey Espinoza and seconded by Miguel Zavala. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously @ 7:03pm.

1. Discussion and possible action on items discussed in Executive Session

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2. Discussion and possible action on recommendations on all items as appropriate on Superintendent's personnel recommendations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Consuelo De La Rosa and seconded by Casey Espinoza. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously @ 7:31pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Miguel Zavala and seconded by Casey Espinoza. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously @ 7:04pm.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on Friday, September 10, 2021





Adolfo Hinojosa
Board President

Casey Espinoza
Board Secretary

This notice has been publicly posted at the administrative offices of the Santa Maria Independent School District, 11119 Military Rd., Cameron County, Santa Maria, Texas, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the above mentioned meeting, as required by the following sections of the Texas Government Code: 551.071 through 551.084. During the regular school year, this notice is also posted in all schools in the District. The school district also posts its board meeting agendas on the District's internet web site (www.smisd.net)

Consent Agenda: All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Trustees and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired on a specific item(s), that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

Board of Trustees
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Oralia "Lala" Ortiz, Vice-President
Casey Espinoza, Secretary
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Rambaldo "Ram" Rivera, Jr., Member
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